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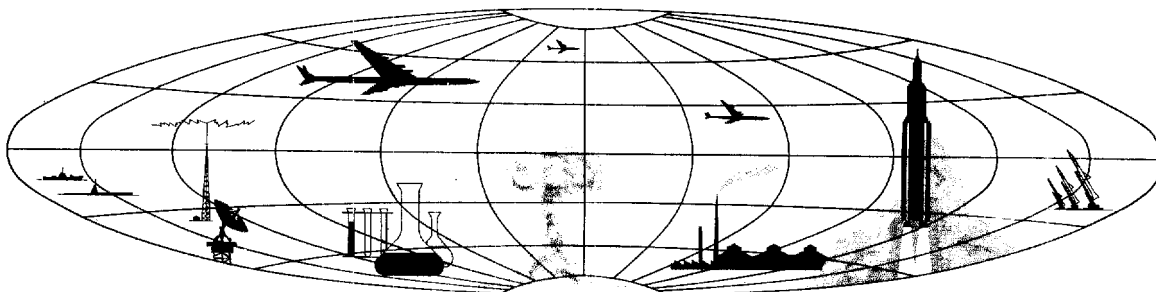
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3561, DATED 18 APRIL 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE 2251N 08005W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 4 PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 15 VEHICLES, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT.

25X1D

JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, 8 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 3 PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

MANATI SAM SITE 2113N 07702W

SITE CONTAINS 6 OCCUPIED LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (6 CANVAS-COVERED), AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

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ESMERALDA SAM SITE 2155N 07813W

TWO REVERTED LAUNCHERS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.  
HEAVY CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W

AREA CONTAINS 25 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 4 PROBABLE  
TRAILERS, NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS, AND  
APPROXIMATELY 40 ADDITIONAL VEHICLES.

25X1D

VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2104N 07700W

AREA CONTAINS 28 POSSIBLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS,  
26 POSSIBLE PRIME MOVERS, NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS,  
AND APPROXIMATELY 50 OTHER VEHICLES.

25X1D

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HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS,  
6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN  
OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

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-AIRFIELDS-

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 14 FAGOT/FRESCO.

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HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 7 FAGOT/FRESCO, ONE POSSIBLE CRATE,  
ONE HARE, AND ONE SINGLE-ENGINE LIAISON-TYPE.

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[REDACTED]

LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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[REDACTED]

PRESTON AIRFIELD 2044N 07539W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

ANTONIO MACEDO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- 5 LIAISON, ONE CRATE, ONE TRAINER, AND  
ONE PROBABLE HELICOPTER.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD 2209N 08025W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 LIAISON AIRCRAFT.

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TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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-PORTS-

PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.  
OBLIQUITY LIMITS INTERPRETATION.

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MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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MOA PORT 2039N 07454W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS AND ONE TANKER.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- 4 FREIGHTERS (ONE WITH 4 HATCHES OPEN)  
AT PASTELILLO PIER, AND 2 FREIGHTERS AT PUERTO  
TARAFIA.  
NUMEROUS RAILROAD CARS ON PIER. NO MILITARY  
EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE TANKER, ONE LARGE FREIGHTER,  
ONE PF, AND ONE PC.

25X1D

CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER AT CAYO JUAN CLARD.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

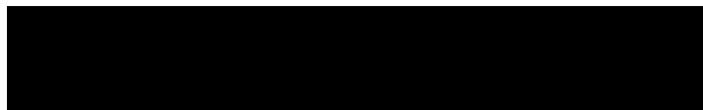
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE



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ALTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP 2029N 07600W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 32 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D



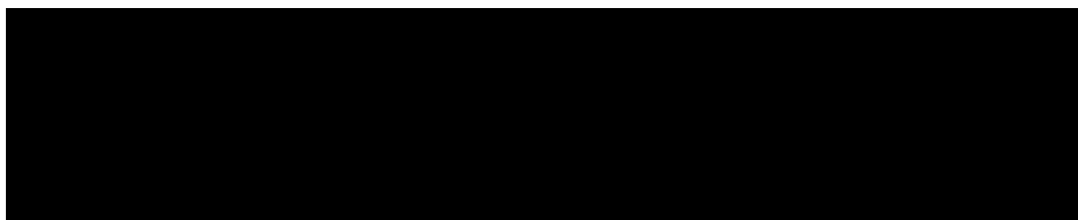
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N 07957W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
EIGHT VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS, MILITARY CAMP 2054N 07655W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 80 VEHICLES PARKED ON 4 HARDSTANDS.

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EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

INSTALLATION CONTAINS 13 TENTS, 12 FA PIECES AND  
14 VEHICLES.

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LAS MERCEDES, MILITARY CAMP 2006N 07700W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

MAYARI ARRIBA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2029N 07530W

ELEVEN CANVAS-COVERED CRUISE-MISSILE TRANSPORTERS,  
UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF CRATES UNDER CANVAS,  
APPROXIMATELY 60 MISCELLANEOUS VEHICLES, AND 4  
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED. POOR IMAGE QUALITY  
LIMITS INTERPRETATION.

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25X1A

LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION 2208N 08004W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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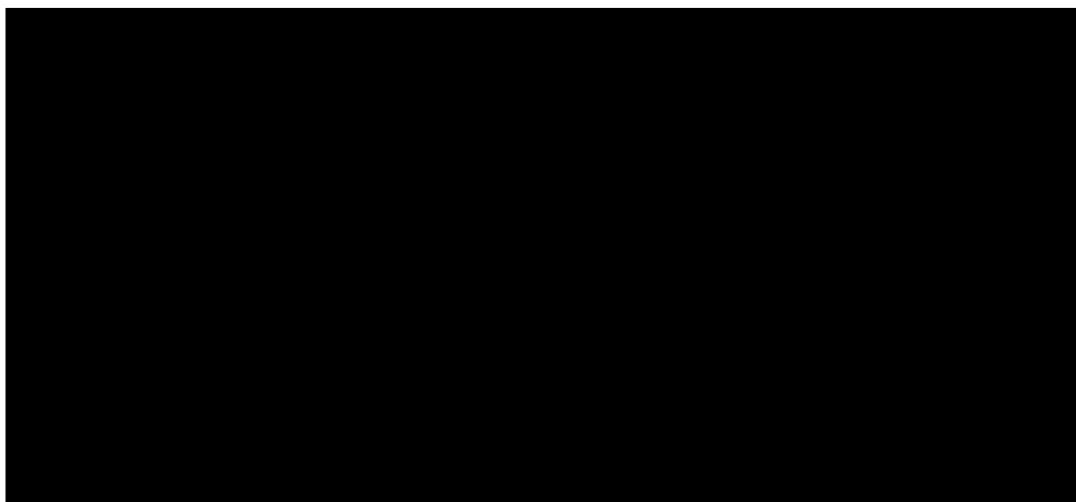
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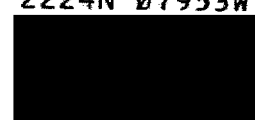
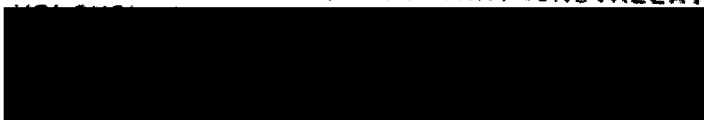


-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE  
LAST COVERAGE --

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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1	2243N 08001W
CHAPARRA SAM SITE	2107N 07626W
SENADO SAM SITE	2136N 07733W
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH	1957N 07542W
PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH	1958N 07457W
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH	2202N 08036W
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH	1957N 07557W
ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH	2202N 08025W
NICARO LANDING BEACH	2042N 07533W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2224N 07953W



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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2	2239N 07951W
CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE	2202N 08024W
SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE	2147N 07929W
CHAMBAS SAM SITE	2213N 07853W
DELEITE SAM SITE	2259N 08045W
DELEITE ALTERNATE SAM SITE	2301N 08044W
LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2156N 08019W
CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD	2125N 07751W
MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2017N 07706W
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W



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CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP

2126N 07753W

MANICARAGUA AREA, EXPLOSIVES STORAGE SITE

2206N 07958W

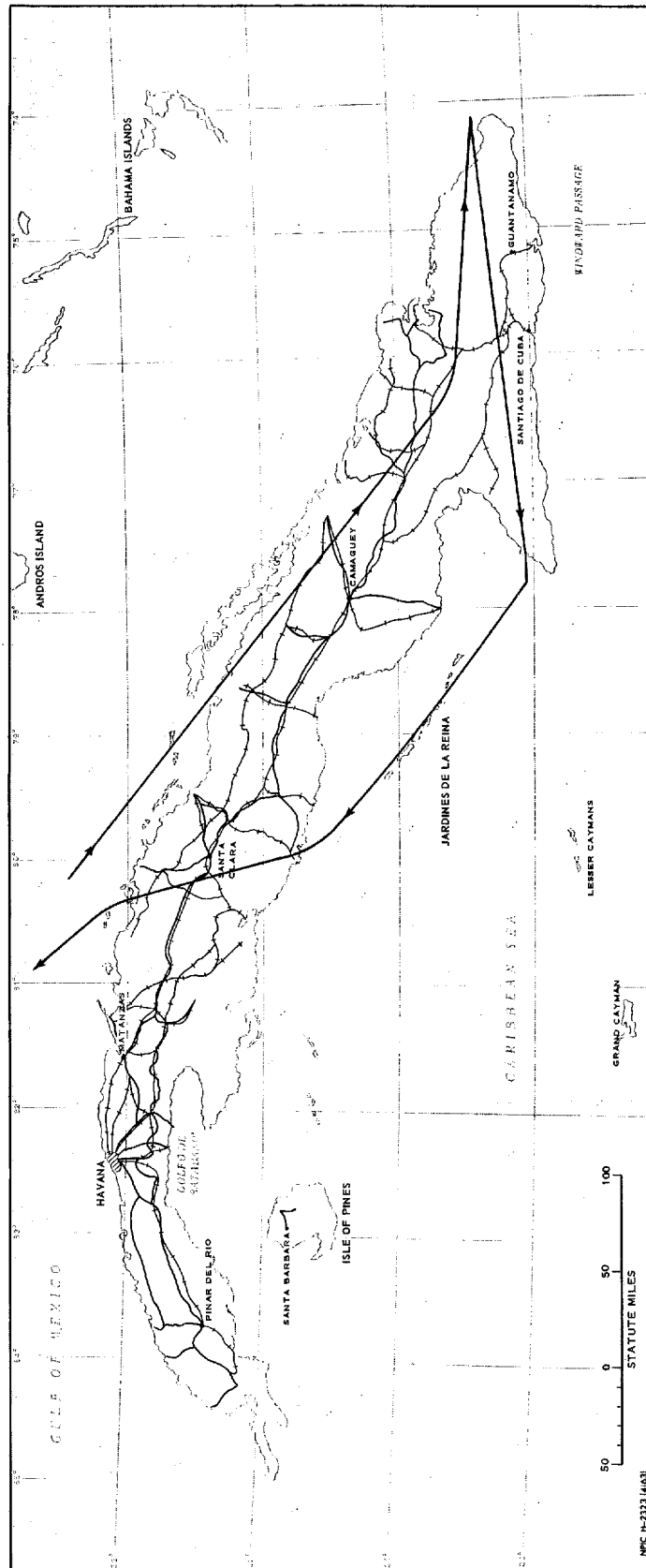
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